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## Joint Committee on Business Competitiveness to Meet in Grand Rapids

**WHO**: Senate and House Members of the Committee

WHAT: Joint Committee on Business Competitiveness Meeting

WHEN: Monday, March 31

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**WHERE**: Grand Valley State University

Eberhard Center 301 W. Fulton St. Grand Rapids

BRIEF:

The Joint Committee on Business Competitiveness was established by concurrent resolution earlier this year. The bipartisan, bicameral committee is charged with the responsibility of preparing a report to be delivered to the Senate Majority Leader and Speaker of the House this September, outlining recommendations for maintaining current and attracting new business investment and good paying jobs to Michigan.

Local companies, business organizations and local economic development professionals are encouraged to attend and testify at the committee meeting. Those interested in testifying are asked to be ready to make specific recommendations as to how the state can maintain and/or improve our business climate and competitiveness with other states.

Beginning at 1:30 members of the committee will tour GR Spring and Stamp, located at 706 Bond Ave in Grand Rapids. Media is invited to attend the tour.